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Commissioner for Patents  
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Re: Jan Bastiaan BOUWSTRA et al.  
U.S. Patent Application No. 10/567,078 371(c) date: April 7, 2006  
Attorney Docket No. 0807620.00112 Confirmation No. 2404  
"USE OF RECOMBINANT OR SYNTHETIC GELATINE AS STABILISER IN  
VACCINES"

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Sir:

The following documents are filed herewith:

- Petition for Extension of Time (3 months);
- Request for Continued Examination;
- Amendment; and
- Copies of documents referenced in the amendment:
  - *VICH Topic GL26 by the European Agency for Evaluation of Medicinal Products (2002) ("theVICH publication");*
  - *The Determination of Residual Moisture in Dry Biological Substances" J. Biological Chemistry vol. 121, no. 1 (1937) to Flosdorf et al.*
  - *Evaluation of a recombinant human gelatine as a substitute for a hydrolyzed porcine gelatine in a refrigerator-stable Oka/Merck live varicella vaccine to Liska et al.*

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 080570**. The applicants hereby petition under 37 CFR 1.136 or other applicable rule to have the response period extended the number of months necessary to render the attached communication timely if a petition is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being transmitted via the Office electronic filing system in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.6(a)(4), on July 31, 2009.

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